

14 FAM 630 DOMESTIC TRANSFERS

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(Office of Origin: A/LM)

14 FAM 631 SCOPE

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(Uniform State/BBG/USAID/Commerce/Agriculture)
(Foreign Service)

- a. This section pertains to Foreign Service personnel who are transferred from a domestic duty station to another domestic duty station in a different city that is at least 50 miles away from the previous domestic duty station. In addition, 14 FAM 631.3-5 pertains to Foreign Service personnel who are transferred from a domestic duty station to a location abroad and who, after completing one or more assignments abroad, are assigned from a location abroad to another domestic duty station in a different city that is at least 50 miles away from the previous domestic duty station.
- b. These allowances permit reimbursement of certain travel and transportation expenses incident to domestic relocation of Foreign Service personnel for which other employees of the U.S. Government receive reimbursement under 5 U.S.C. 5724(a).

14 FAM 631.1 Applicability

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(Foreign Service)

- a. These regulations apply to all U.S. citizen Foreign Service personnel of the Department of State, BBG, USAID, Commerce, and Agriculture, including those employees transferring to public agencies and institutions and private nonprofit organizations. New appointees in any of the aforementioned agencies are excluded from coverage under these regulations when transferring within the United States on their initial assignment (see Federal Travel Regulations (FTR), chapter 302-1.2).

- b. The interpretation of these regulations is the responsibility of the Transportation and Travel Management Division (A/LM/OPS/TTM).

14 FAM 631.2 Eligibility Criteria

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(Foreign Service)

- a. Before any obligation of U.S. Government funds is incurred under these regulations, employees must have executed a one-year continued service agreement.
- b. Notwithstanding the provisions of the continued service agreement, appropriate management officials of the foreign affairs agencies may waive in whole or in part any right of recovery in accordance with 3 FAM.

14 FAM 631.3 Domestic Relocation Weight Allowances and Other Allowances

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Relocation expenses authorized as given in the following sections.

14 FAM 631.3-1 Travel Expenses for Employee and Family

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(Foreign Service)

The methods for computation for per diem, mileage, and/or common carrier costs are found in the Federal Travel Regulations (FTR), chapter 302-4.

14 FAM 631.3-2 House-Hunting Trip

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(Foreign Service)

See the Federal Travel Regulations (FTR), chapter 302-5.

14 FAM 631.3-3 Temporary Quarters Allowance

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(Foreign Service)

The items covered and the method for computing this allowance are found in the Federal Travel Regulations (FTR), chapter 302-6.

14 FAM 631.3-4 Transportation of Mobile Home

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(Foreign Service)

See the Federal Travel Regulations (FTR), chapter 302-10.

14 FAM 631.3-5 Residence Transaction Allowances

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(Foreign Service)

a. The items covered and the amount allowed for this allowance are found in the Federal Travel Regulations (FTR), chapter 302-11. However, employees who transfer from a domestic duty station to a location abroad and who, after completing one or more assignments abroad, are assigned from a location abroad to another domestic duty station in a different city that is at least 50 miles away from the previous domestic duty station. Allowable expenses for the sale and/or purchase of a residence may be claimed only if the employee meets the five criteria as set forth below:

- (1) Owned a residence at the former domestic duty station; and
- (2) Occupied such residence when assigned to the former domestic duty station; and
- (3) Commuted to and from work on a daily basis from such residence; and
- (4) Retained ownership of such residence while assigned abroad until receipt of a permanent change-of-station travel authorization for travel to the new domestic duty station; and

- (5) Signed a continued-service agreement prior to authorization of this allowance.
- b. Sale of a residence at the former domestic duty station is not required in order to claim allowable expenses for the purchase of a residence at the new domestic duty station. 14 FAM 631.3-5 pertains to Foreign Service personnel who are transferred from a domestic duty station to a location abroad and who, after completing one or more assignments abroad, are assigned from a location abroad to another domestic duty station in a different city that is at least 50 miles away from the previous domestic duty station. Allowable expenses for the sale and/or purchase of a residence may be claimed only if the employee meets the five criteria as set forth in subparagraphs (1) through (5) of paragraph a of this section.

14 FAM 631.3-6 Miscellaneous Expense Allowance

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The type of costs covered and method for computing this allowance are found in the Federal Travel Regulations (FTR), chapter 302-16.

14 FAM 631.3-7 Transportation and Temporary Storage of Effects

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Maximum weight limitations for shipment and storage of effects are as authorized in 14 FAM 613. Transportation services are to be provided by appropriate transportation offices of the foreign affairs agencies. Temporary storage for household effects authorized under these regulations will be for 90 days.

14 FAM 631.3-8 Nontemporary Storage of Household Effects

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14 FAM 628 applies whenever nontemporary storage of household effects is required.

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